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Agenda item 126 (y)

Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the Commonwealth of Independent States

Kyrgyzstan: draft resolution

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Commonwealth of Independent States

The General Assembly,

Referring to the Articles of the Charter of the United Nations that encourage measures for regional cooperation to advance the purposes and principles of the United Nations,

Referring also to its resolution 48/237 of 24 March 1994, by which it granted the Commonwealth of Independent States observer status in the General Assembly,

Welcoming the efforts of the States members of the Commonwealth of Independent States to attain objectives consistent with the purposes and principles of the United Nations,

Reaffirming that achieving international cooperation in solving international problems of an economic, social, cultural or humanitarian character is one of the purposes of the United Nations,

Referring to the relevant resolutions of the Security Council, including resolution 1631 (2005) of 17 October 2005, as well as statements by the President of the Council, including the statement of 13 January 2010,¹ in which the Council emphasized the importance of developing effective partnerships between the United Nations and regional and subregional organizations, in accordance with the Charter,

Welcoming the commitment of the Commonwealth of Independent States to intensify and deepen its cooperation with the agencies, programmes and funds of the United Nations system,

¹ S/PRST/2010/1; see *Resolutions and Decisions of the Security Council, 1 August 2009–31 July 2010*.



Convinced that strengthening cooperation between the United Nations and the Commonwealth of Independent States will advance the purposes and principles of the United Nations,

1. *Notes* the activities of the Commonwealth of Independent States to strengthen regional cooperation in such areas as trade and economic development; exchange of statistical data and economic information; culture; education; health care; sports; tourism; science and innovation; environmental protection and response to natural and man-made disasters; combating organized crime, illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and their precursors, terrorist acts, manifestations of extremism and illegal migration; and other related areas;

2. *Also notes* the importance of strengthening cooperation and coordination between the United Nations system and the Commonwealth of Independent States, and invites the Secretary-General to hold for that purpose regular consultations with the Chair of the Executive Committee and Executive Secretary of the Commonwealth, making use of appropriate inter-agency forums and formats, including consultations between the Secretary-General and the heads of regional organizations;

3. *Invites* the specialized agencies and other organizations, programmes and funds of the United Nations system, as well as international financial institutions, to develop their cooperation with the Commonwealth of Independent States;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its seventy-third session on the implementation of the present resolution;

5. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-third session, under the item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations", the sub-item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Commonwealth of Independent States".



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Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States

Algeria, Bahrain, Comoros, Djibouti, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Sudan, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates and Yemen: draft resolution

Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States

The General Assembly,

Recalling its previous resolutions relevant to cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States,

Recalling also article 3 of the Charter of the League of Arab States,¹ which entrusts the Council of the League with the function of determining the means whereby the League will collaborate with international organizations to guarantee international peace and security, organize political, security, social, economic, cultural, technical, environmental and administrative relations, and enhance and strengthen the League's capacity in those areas,

Taking into consideration the report of the Secretary-General entitled "An Agenda for Peace",² and in particular section VII concerning cooperation with regional organizations, and the "Supplement to an Agenda for Peace",³

Recognizing the need for further strengthening of cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States in the pursuit of the common goals and objectives of the two organizations,

Taking note with satisfaction of the report of the Secretary-General on cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations,⁴

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 70, No. 241.

² A/47/277-S/24111.

³ A/50/60-S/1995/1.

⁴ A/71/160-S/2016/621.



Welcoming the signing in September 2016 of the protocol on amendment of the text of the cooperation agreement between the two organizations, and recognizing the need to continue to take the measures necessary to strengthen the existing cooperation between the two organizations,

Commending the resolutions and recommendations of the twelfth sectoral meeting between the United Nations and the League of Arab States and their specialized organizations, held in Cairo in 2015, on the theme "The repercussions of underestimating human rights: towards a comprehensive cooperation approach", as well as the thirteenth general cooperation meeting between the United Nations and the League of Arab States and their systems, held in Geneva in 2016, at which challenges and threats undermining international peace and stability, as well as development, were addressed,

1. *Requests* the Secretariat of the United Nations and the League of Arab States to consider the possibility of forming a high-level working group to follow up on the implementation of the provisions of the protocol on amendment of the text of the cooperation agreement between the two organizations until a liaison office of the League of Arab States is opened in Cairo, with the aim of improving and achieving further coordination between the two organizations in the fields addressed in the protocol;

2. *Requests* the Secretariat of the United Nations and the League of Arab States to continue their periodic consultations, at all levels, in order to exchange information, and review and strengthen coordination and follow-up mechanisms, particularly in the political and security fields;

3. *Calls upon* United Nations specialized agencies, programmes and institutions to continue their interaction with their counterparts from Arab organizations and institutions and to improve mechanisms for consultation with them, in order to implement mutually agreed projects and programmes and to make the greatest possible use of Arab institutions and their technical expertise in implementing projects undertaken in the Arab region;

4. *Emphasizes* the importance of holding the thirteenth sectoral meeting between the two organizations and their specialized agencies, in 2017, concerning cooperation on the preservation and management of water resources in the Arab region, and the fourteenth general cooperation meeting between the two organizations and their systems during 2018, for which the dates and venue will be agreed upon in due course;

5. *Calls upon* the specialized agencies, organizations and programmes of the United Nations system to inform the Secretary-General, no later than January 2018, of the progress made in its cooperation with the League of Arab States, in particular, the implementation of the multilateral proposals adopted at the thirteenth general cooperation meeting between the two organizations;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its seventy-third session a report on the implementation of the present resolution;

7. *Decides* to include in the agenda of its seventy-third session, under the item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations", the sub-item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States".



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Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States

Addendum

Add the following countries to the list of sponsors of the draft resolution:

El Salvador, Italy, Poland, Portugal, Spain and Sweden





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Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the Collective Security Treaty Organization

Armenia, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russian Federation and Tajikistan:
draft resolution

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Collective Security Treaty Organization

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations,¹

Referring to the Articles of the Charter of the United Nations that encourage measures for regional cooperation to advance the purposes and principles of the United Nations,

Referring also to its resolution 59/50 of 2 December 2004, in which it granted the Collective Security Treaty Organization observer status in the General Assembly,

Referring further to its resolutions 64/256 of 2 March 2010, 65/122 of 13 December 2010, 67/6 of 19 November 2012 and 69/12 of 11 November 2014 on cooperation between the United Nations and the Collective Security Treaty Organization and to its Declaration on the Enhancement of Cooperation between the United Nations and Regional Arrangements or Agencies in the Maintenance of International Peace and Security,²

Referring to all previous relevant resolutions of the Security Council, including resolution 1631 (2005) of 17 October 2005, and the relevant statements by its President, including those of 13 January 2010³ and 6 August 2013,⁴ which underline the importance of developing effective partnerships between the United

¹ A/71/60-S/2016/621.

² Resolution 49/57, annex.

³ S/PRST/2010/1; see *Resolutions and Decisions of the Security Council, 1 August 2009-31 July 2010*.

⁴ S/PRST/2013/12.



Nations and regional and subregional organizations, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations and statutes of regional and subregional organizations.

Noting with satisfaction that, during its existence, the Collective Security Treaty Organization has transformed into a multifunctional structure with the potential to provide an adequate response to a wide range of threats and challenges within the area of its responsibility,

Welcoming the efforts of the States members of the Collective Security Treaty Organization to attain objectives consistent with the purposes and principles of the United Nations,

Welcoming also the practical steps taken by the Collective Security Treaty Organization to implement the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy,⁵ in particular through the joint plan of action for the implementation of the Strategy in Central Asia, adopted in Ashgabat on 30 November 2011,

Acknowledging the great practical importance of the efforts of the regional counter-narcotics operation of the Collective Security Treaty Organization, "Kanal", to combat the smuggling of Afghan opiates and the cannabis group of drugs, cocaine and synthetic substances into the territory of States of the Eurasian region and to counter the activities of organized drug groups and their leaders,

Welcoming the practical contribution of the Collective Security Treaty Organization to implementing, the Political Declaration and Plan of Action on International Cooperation towards an Integrated and Balanced Strategy to Counter the World Drug Problem for the period 2009-2019,⁶ adopted by the General Assembly at its sixty-fourth session,

Welcoming the adoption and practical implementation of the Counter-Narcotics Strategy of the States members of the Collective Security Treaty Organization for 2015-2020,

Welcoming the progress in enhancing practical cooperation between the two secretariats based, inter alia, on the Memorandum of Understanding between the secretariat of the Collective Security Treaty Organization and the Department of Peacekeeping Operations of the United Nations Secretariat, aimed at promoting more extensive and intensive cooperation in the maintenance of peace, including by encouraging the States members of the Collective Security Treaty Organization to make contributions to the peacekeeping operations of the United Nations,

Noting the progress in developing the potential of the collective rapid reaction forces and the formation of peacekeeping forces of the Collective Security Treaty Organization,

Noting also the firm intention of both organizations to further strengthen existing cooperation by developing specific proposals in the priority areas of cooperation,

⁵ Resolution 60/288.

⁶ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2009, Supplement No. 8 (E/2009/28)*, chap. I, sect. C.

1. *Takes note* with appreciation of the report of the Secretary-General on cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations,¹ and acknowledges in particular the development of mutually beneficial interaction between the United Nations and the Collective Security Treaty Organization;

2. *Notes with appreciation* the significant practical contribution and efforts of the Collective Security Treaty Organization to strengthen its peacekeeping capacities and the system of regional security and stability, to counter terrorism and transnational organized crime, to combat illicit trafficking in drugs and weapons, and illegal migration and human trafficking, and to recover from natural and man-made disasters, thereby contributing to the attainment of the purposes and principles of the United Nations;

3. *Welcomes* the efforts of the secretariats of the United Nations and the Collective Security Treaty Organization to enhance coordination and cooperation in the areas of mutual interest and to develop concrete modalities for such cooperation, and encourages them to continue their collaboration, including the exchange of information;

4. *Invites* the Secretary-General of the United Nations to continue regular consultations with the Secretary-General of the Collective Security Treaty Organization, through bilateral contacts and various formats, including consultations between the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the heads of regional organizations;

5. *Invites* the United Nations and the Collective Security Treaty Organization to continue their interaction in the interest of the consistent and comprehensive implementation of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy;²

6. *Invites* increased cooperation and coordination among the specialized agencies and programmes of the United Nations system and the Collective Security Treaty Organization and the development of their direct contacts in areas of mutual interest;

7. *Encourages* both organizations to continue to examine possible ways to further strengthen their interaction in the area of peacekeeping;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations to submit to the General Assembly at its seventy-third session a report on the implementation of the present resolution;

9. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-third session, under the item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations", the sub-item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Collective Security Treaty Organization".



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The situation in the Middle East

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The Syrian Golan

The General Assembly,

Having considered the item entitled "The situation in the Middle East",

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the situation in the Middle East,¹

Recalling Security Council resolution 497 (1981) of 17 December 1981,

Reaffirming the fundamental principle of the inadmissibility of the acquisition of territory by force, in accordance with international law and the Charter of the United Nations,

Reaffirming once more the applicability of the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War, of 12 August 1949,² to the occupied Syrian Golan,

Deeply concerned that Israel has not withdrawn from the Syrian Golan, which has been under occupation since 1967, contrary to the relevant Security Council and General Assembly resolutions,

Stressing the illegality of the Israeli settlement construction and other activities in the occupied Syrian Golan since 1967,

¹ A/71/328.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 75, No. 973.



Noting with satisfaction the convening in Madrid on 30 October 1991 of the Peace Conference on the Middle East, on the basis of Security Council resolutions 242 (1967) of 22 November 1967, 338 (1973) of 22 October 1973 and 425 (1978) of 19 March 1978 and the formula of land for peace,

Expressing grave concern over the halt in the peace process on the Syrian track, and expressing the hope that peace talks will soon resume from the point they had reached,

1. *Declares* that Israel has failed so far to comply with Security Council resolution 497 (1981);

2. *Also declares* that the Israeli decision of 14 December 1981 to impose its laws, jurisdiction and administration on the occupied Syrian Golan is null and void and has no validity whatsoever, as confirmed by the Security Council in its resolution 497 (1981), and calls upon Israel to rescind it;

3. *Reaffirms its determination* that all relevant provisions of the Regulations annexed to the Hague Convention of 1907, and the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War, of 12 August 1949,² continue to apply to the Syrian territory occupied by Israel since 1967, and calls upon the parties thereto to respect and ensure respect for their obligations under those instruments in all circumstances;

4. *Determines once more* that the continued occupation of the Syrian Golan and its de facto annexation constitute a stumbling block in the way of achieving a just, comprehensive and lasting peace in the region;

5. *Calls upon* Israel to resume the talks on the Syrian and Lebanese tracks and to respect the commitments and undertakings reached during the previous talks;

6. *Demands once more* that Israel withdraw from all the occupied Syrian Golan to the line of 4 June 1967 in implementation of the relevant Security Council resolutions;

7. *Calls upon* all the parties concerned, the co-sponsors of the peace process and the entire international community to exert all the necessary efforts to ensure the resumption of the peace process and its success by implementing Security Council resolutions 242 (1967) and 338 (1973);

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its seventy-second session on the implementation of the present resolution.



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The situation in the Middle East

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The Syrian Golan

Addendum

Add the following country to the list of sponsors of the draft resolution:

Malaysia



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Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the Central European Initiative

Albania, Austria, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czechia, Hungary, Italy, Montenegro, Poland, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Ukraine:
draft resolution

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Central European Initiative

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 66/111 of 9 December 2011, by which it granted observer status to the Central European Initiative,

Recalling also its resolutions 67/7 of 19 November 2012 and 69/8 of 11 November 2014, in which it invited the specialized agencies and other organizations and programmes of the United Nations system to cooperate with the Initiative in order to continue joint activities for the achievement of common objectives,

Recalling further the Articles of the Charter of the United Nations that encourage activities through regional cooperation to promote the goals and objectives of the United Nations,

Appreciating the active involvement of the Initiative in establishing cooperation with the United Nations system and relevant international and regional organizations, aimed at the furthering of political and socioeconomic development by covering all its relevant dimensions,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General submitted pursuant to resolution 69/8,¹

¹ See A/71/60-S/2016/621, sect. II



1. *Notes* the continuing efficiency of the Central European Initiative as a promoter of political dialogue, thus supporting the stability, security and economic growth of its member States in a project-oriented way;

2. *Values*, in particular, the great adaptability of the Initiative to political changes and its immediate response to urgent issues through providing assistance to affected countries in the region and connecting relevant stakeholders;

3. *Welcomes*, in this context, the extraordinary call for proposals on migration and security issues launched by the Initiative in 2015, as well as its network events regarding migration crisis management;

4. *Also welcomes*, in this context, the cooperation established through memorandums of understanding with specialized organizations, such as the Migration, Asylum, Refugees Regional Initiative, based in Skopje, the International Centre for Migration Policy Development, based in Vienna, and the International Organization for Migration, based in Geneva;

5. *Notes* the vigorous efforts of the Initiative to support, elaborate and realize concrete joint regional projects in strategic areas, often in cooperation with other important regional and international players, in order to increase the financial support for projects in the region;

6. *Appreciates*, in this context, the efforts undertaken by the Initiative in intensifying its cooperation with the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe through joining forces for the implementation of three projects addressing relevant issues on gender equality, on the fight against corruption and on reconciliation in the region;

7. *Acknowledges*, also in this context, the fruitful cooperation between the Initiative and the European Union, as one of the main co-funders of the Initiative's projects, and supports the continuous efforts of the Initiative to take concrete steps to establish additional mutually beneficial partnerships with the European Union;

8. *Also acknowledges* the commitment of the Initiative to supporting its non-European Union member States in their integration and modernization processes;

9. *Welcomes*, in this context, the decision of Belarus to take over the Initiative's annual presidency in 2017;

10. *Also welcomes* the continuing financial support by the Central European Initiative Trust Fund at the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, financed entirely by Italy, funding mainly technical cooperation projects related to larger operations of the Bank in non-European Union States members of the Initiative, and covering relevant areas including agriculture, transport, energy, assistance to small and medium-sized enterprises, municipal infrastructure and services, banking, insurance, institution-building and capacity-building;

11. *Appreciates* the significant contribution of the Initiative in providing grants for small-scale multilateral projects in priority areas through the Central European Initiative Cooperation Fund, to which all member States contribute, as well as the financial support by the Know-how Exchange Programme, financed by

Austria and Italy, providing grants for projects promoting capacity-building and best practices in non-European Union member States;

12. *Notes* the significant contribution of the Central European Initiative in the areas of culture and the media by supporting various events, prizes and other initiatives promoting, in particular, intercultural dialogue and press freedom;

13. *Also notes* the engagement of the Initiative in support of mobility for young officials, students and researchers through specific instruments and programmes;

14. *Acknowledges* the substantial role of the Parliamentary and Business Dimensions of the Initiative in fostering regional cooperation;

15. *Appreciates* the commitment of the Initiative to intensifying cooperation with the United Nations, the specialized agencies and other organizations and programmes of the United Nations system, in particular mutual participation in events and meetings of common interest, and to developing practical and results-oriented joint projects;

16. *Values* the commitment of the Central European Initiative, which presented its support on the occasion of the United Nations summit for the adoption of the post-2015 development agenda, held in 2015, to contributing to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,² in particular through focusing on sustainable development and interconnectivity on a regional level;

17. *Invites* the Secretary-General to intensify the exchange with the Initiative in order to continue the fruitful cooperation and to facilitate coordination between the secretariats;

18. *Encourages* the specialized agencies and other organizations and programmes of the United Nations system to strengthen cooperation with the Initiative through common action aimed at achieving the shared goals;

19. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its seventy-third session a report on the implementation of the present resolution.

20. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-third session, under the item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations", the sub-item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Central European Initiative".

² Resolution 70/L.



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draft resolution

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Central European Initiative

Addendum

Add the following country to the list of sponsors of the draft resolution:

Georgia





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Agenda item 13

**Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up
to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and
summits in the economic, social and related fields**

**Andorra, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Georgia, Germany, Ireland, Latvia,
Mongolia, Peru, Poland, Republic of Moldova, Romania and United States
of America: draft resolution**

Education for democracy

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming the Charter of the United Nations, including the principles and purposes contained therein, and recognizing that human rights, the rule of law and democracy are interlinked and mutually reinforcing and that they belong to the universal and indivisible core values and principles of the United Nations,

Reaffirming also the right of everyone to education, which is enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,¹ the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights,² the Convention on the Rights of the Child,³ the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women,⁴ the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities⁵ and in other relevant instruments,

Recalling its resolutions 67/18 of 28 November 2012 and 69/268 of 5 March 2015 and the results of the plan of action for the second phase (2010-2014) of the World Programme for Human Rights Education,⁶ and taking note with appreciation of the plan of action for the third phase (2015-2019) of the World Programme,⁷

¹ Resolution 217 A (III).

² See resolution 2200 A (XXI), annex.

³ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1577, No. 27531.

⁴ *Ibid.*, vol. 1249, No. 20378.

⁵ *Ibid.*, vol. 2515, No. 44910.

⁶ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 53A* (A/65/53/Add.1), chap. II, resolution 15/11.

⁷ *Ibid.*, *Sixty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 53A* and corrigenda (A/69/53/Add.1 and Corr.1 and 2), chap. IV, sect. A, resolution 27/12.



Taking note of section VII, entitled "Supporting the global citizenship agenda through education for democracy", of resolution I adopted on 20 November 2013 by the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at its thirty-seventh session,⁸

Recalling that the Sustainable Development Goals and targets, as set out in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,⁹ are integrated and indivisible and balance the three dimensions of sustainable development, and acknowledging the importance of taking measures to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promoting lifelong learning opportunities for all, as well as the need to promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels,

Stressing the complementarity and mutual reinforcement of human rights education, training and learning and education for democracy,

Reaffirming that democracy is a universal value based on the freely expressed will of people to determine their own political, economic, social and cultural systems and their full participation in all aspects of their lives,¹⁰

Taking note of the Incheon Declaration: Education 2030: Towards inclusive and equitable quality education and lifelong learning for all, adopted at the World Education Forum 2015, held in Incheon, Republic of Korea, from 19 to 22 May 2015, which affirmed the understanding of education as a main driver of development that is essential for peace, tolerance, human fulfilment and sustainable development, as well as key to achieving full employment and poverty eradication,

Taking note also of the *Global Education Monitoring Report 2016*, which monitors progress towards the education targets within the new Sustainable Development Goals framework, and affirming that education can encourage constructive and inclusive political participation,

Recognizing that, while democracies share common features, there is no single model of democracy and that democracy does not belong to any country or region,

Mindful of the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action of the World Conference on Human Rights,¹¹ the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action¹² adopted at the Fourth World Conference on Women, the World Plan of Action on Education for Human Rights and Democracy adopted by the International Congress on Education for Human Rights and Democracy,¹³ the World Programme for Human Rights Education proclaimed by the General Assembly in its resolution 59/113 A of

⁸ United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, *Records of the General Conference, Thirty-seventh session, Paris, 5-20 November 2013*, vol. 1 and corrigendum, *Resolutions*, sect. IV.

⁹ Resolution 70/1.

¹⁰ Resolution 60/1, para. 135.

¹¹ A/CONF.157/24 (Part I), chap. III.

¹² *Report of the Fourth World Conference on Women, Beijing, 4-15 September 1995* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.96.IV.13), chap. I, resolution I, annexes I and II.

¹³ A/CONF.157/PC/42/Add.6.

10 December 2004 and the United Nations Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training.¹⁴

Recalling the establishment of the United Nations Democracy Fund and the efforts of the Fund to advance the United Nations democracy agenda, as well as the operational activities in support of democratization processes carried out by the United Nations system, including by the Department of Political Affairs of the Secretariat, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and the United Nations Development Programme,

Acknowledging the important role of international, regional and other intergovernmental organizations, civil society, academia, the private sector and other stakeholders in support of democracy and education for democracy,

Recognizing that education contributes to the strengthening of democracy, good governance and the rule of law at all levels, the reduction of economic inequality, the realization of human rights, gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls, the achievement of all internationally agreed development goals, including the Sustainable Development Goals, the development of human potential, the eradication of poverty and the fostering of greater understanding among peoples,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Director General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, entitled "Literacy for life: shaping future agendas and education for democracy";¹⁵

2. *Reaffirms* the fundamental link between democratic governance, peace, development and the promotion and protection of all human rights and fundamental freedoms, which are interdependent and mutually reinforcing;

3. *Recalls* the Global Education First initiative launched by the Secretary-General on 26 September 2012, in particular its third priority area on fostering global citizenship;

4. *Also recalls* the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,¹⁶ in which Member States committed themselves to the Sustainable Development Goals and targets, including to ensure that all learners acquire the knowledge and skills needed to promote sustainable development, including, among others, through education for sustainable development and sustainable lifestyles, human rights, gender equality, promotion of a culture of peace and non-violence, global citizenship and appreciation of cultural diversity and of culture's contribution to sustainable development;

5. *Encourages* the Secretary-General, United Nations agencies such as the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) and other relevant stakeholders to strengthen their efforts to promote the values of peace, human rights, democracy, respect for religious and cultural diversity and justice through education;

6. *Strongly encourages* Member States and national, regional and local education authorities, as appropriate, to integrate education for democracy, along

¹⁴ Resolution 66/137, annex.

¹⁵ A/71/177.

with civic education, human rights education and education for sustainable development into their education standards and to develop and strengthen programmes, curricula and curricular and extracurricular educational activities aimed at the promotion and consolidation of democratic values and democratic governance and human rights, taking into account innovative approaches and best practices in the field, in order to facilitate the empowerment of citizens and their participation in political life and policymaking at all levels;

7. *Invites* United Nations agencies, funds and programmes, including the United Nations Democracy Fund, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, to provide appropriate expertise and resources for the development of relevant educational programmes and materials for democracy;

8. *Encourages* international, regional and other intergovernmental organizations, within their respective mandates, to share their best practices and experiences in the field of education for democracy, including but not limited to civic education, with each other and with the United Nations system, as appropriate;

9. *Decides* to continue its consideration of the issue of education for democracy at its seventy-third session, under the agenda item entitled "Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields";

10. *Invites* Governments, the agencies and organizations of the United Nations system and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to intensify their efforts to promote education for democracy, requests the Secretary-General, in cooperation with the Director General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, within existing reporting obligations, to report to the General Assembly at its seventy-third session on the implementation of the present resolution, and invites the Special Rapporteur of the Human Rights Council on the right to education, within her existing mandate, to contribute to the report of the Secretary-General.



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to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and
summits in the economic, social and related fields**

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Mongolia, Peru, Poland, Republic of Moldova, Romania and United States of
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Education for democracy

Addendum

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China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russian Federation, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan: draft resolution

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization

The General Assembly,

Recalling that one of the objectives of the United Nations is to achieve cooperation in maintaining international peace and security and solving international problems of an economic, social, cultural or humanitarian character,

Recalling also the Articles of the Charter of the United Nations that encourage activities on the basis of regional cooperation to promote the goals and objectives of the United Nations,

Recalling further its resolution 59/48 of 2 December 2004, by which it granted observer status to the Shanghai Cooperation Organization,

Recalling its resolutions 64/183 of 18 December 2009, 65/124 of 13 December 2010, 67/15 of 19 November 2012 and 69/11 of 11 November 2014 on cooperation between the United Nations and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization,

Recalling also the Joint Declaration on Cooperation between the secretariats of the United Nations and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, dated 5 April 2010,

Noting that the Shanghai Cooperation Organization has become an essential regional organization for addressing security in the region in all its dimensions,

Recognizing the efforts of the States members of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization to build the region of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization into a region of lasting peace, friendship, prosperity and harmony, in accordance with the Treaty on Long-term Good-neighbourliness, Friendship and Cooperation between



the member States of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, signed in Bishkek on 16 August 2007.

Noting the aspiration of the States members of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization to promote stability and security based on mutual trust, mutual benefit, equality, consultation, respect for cultural diversity and the pursuit of common development and to contribute to the maintenance of international peace and security, and taking note in this regard of the declaration on the fifteenth anniversary of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization signed by the Heads of State of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization in Tashkent on 24 June 2016,

Welcoming the efforts of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization to support the building of a world free of nuclear weapons, including in Central Asia, in strict compliance with the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons,¹

Recognizing the efforts of the States members of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization to promote counter-terrorism cooperation, including through the Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure, and welcoming in this regard the protocol on cooperation between the Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, signed on 22 July 2012,

Taking note of the revised version of the Regulations on Political and Diplomatic Measures and Mechanism of Response to Events Jeopardizing Regional Peace, Security and Stability of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, and the Programme of Cooperation in Combating Terrorism, Separatism and Extremism for 2016-2018, which broadened the basis for security cooperation among the States members of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization,

Recognizing the significant importance and positive achievements in the implementation of the 2011-2016 Anti-Drug Strategy and Action Plan of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization as an effective mechanism for regional cooperation in combating drugs in the context of strengthening practical cooperation to combat illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and their precursors in the region, based on the outcome of the special session of the General Assembly on the world drug problem, held in New York from 19 to 21 April 2016,² and encouraging the Shanghai Cooperation Organization to continue such cooperation in this field,

Welcoming the signing of the memorandum of understanding between the secretariat of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in June 2011 with a view to effectively addressing, in cooperation with relevant international and regional actors, the production of and trade and trafficking in drugs,

Welcoming also the signing of memoranda of obligations by India and Pakistan to obtain status as member States of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, as reflected in the outcome of the meeting of the Council of Heads of State of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization held in Tashkent on 24 June 2016 on the occasion of the fifteenth anniversary of the founding of the Shanghai

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 729, No. 10485.

² Resolution S-30/1, annex.

Cooperation Organization, as a practical step in the process of the enlargement of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, as well as in the further enhancement of its potential and role in the international arena as a multilateral mechanism to address the urgent problems of modern times and to ensure security, stability and sustainable development in the region,

Noting the efforts of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization to address international information security, taking note of the initiatives of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization in this regard, and recognizing the need for further discussions in relevant forums,

Recognizing the efforts of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization to promote cooperation with other regional organizations, including the Collective Security Treaty Organization, the Commonwealth of Independent States, the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, the Conference on Interaction and Confidence-building Measures in Asia and the Economic Cooperation Organization,

Taking into consideration the fact that countries with economies in transition are among the members of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, and in this regard recalling its resolution 61/210 of 20 December 2006, in which it proposed that the United Nations system enhance dialogue with regional and subregional cooperation organizations whose membership includes countries with economies in transition and increase support provided to them,

Convinced that strengthening cooperation between the United Nations and other organizations of the United Nations system and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization helps to promote the goals and objectives of the United Nations,

1. *Acknowledges* the important role of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization in securing peace and sustainable development, advancing regional cooperation and strengthening good-neighbourliness and mutual trust, and notes the activities of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization aimed at strengthening peace, security and stability in the region, countering terrorism, separatism and extremism, drug trafficking and other types of criminal activity of a transnational character and promoting regional cooperation in various areas such as trade and economic development, energy, transportation, agriculture and agro-industry, the regulation of migration, banking and finances, information and telecommunications, science and new technology, customs, education, public health, environmental protection and reducing the danger of natural disasters, as well as in other related areas,

2. *Emphasizes* the importance of strengthening dialogue, cooperation and coordination between the United Nations system and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, and proposes that the Secretary-General, for this purpose, continue to hold regular consultations with the Secretary-General of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization through the existing inter-agency forums and formats, including the annual consultations between the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the heads of regional organizations,

3. *Proposes* that the specialized agencies, organizations, programmes and funds of the United Nations system cooperate with the Shanghai Cooperation Organization with a view to jointly implementing programmes to achieve their goals, and in this regard recommends that the heads of such entities continue consultations with the Secretary-General of the United Nations;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its seventy-third session a report on the implementation of the present resolution;

5. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-third session, under the item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations", the sub-item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization".



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Azerbaijan, Georgia, Republic of Moldova and Ukraine: draft resolution

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Democracy and Economic Development — GUAM

The General Assembly,

Referring to its resolution 58/85 of 9 December 2003, by which it granted the GUAM observer status in the General Assembly, and its resolution 67/109 of 17 December 2012, in which it took note that GUAM had been transformed into the Organization for Democracy and Economic Development — GUAM by the Heads of State of members of the organization in their Kyiv Declaration of 23 May 2006,

Referring also to its resolution 69/271 of 2 April 2015,

Recalling that one of the purposes of the United Nations is to achieve international cooperation in solving international problems of a political, economic, social, cultural or humanitarian nature,

Referring to Security Council resolution 1631 (2005) of 17 October 2005, in which the Council recalled its invitation to regional organizations to improve coordination with the United Nations and the Declaration on the Enhancement of Cooperation between the United Nations and Regional Arrangements or Agencies in the Maintenance of International Peace and Security, adopted by the General Assembly on 9 December 1994,¹

Acknowledging the efforts of the Organization for Democracy and Economic Development — GUAM to develop partnership relations with the United Nations and its Member States, based on the principles of sovereign equality, mutual respect

¹ A/60/875-S/2006/364, annex I.

² Resolution 49/57, annex.



and mutually beneficial cooperation, as well as on the commitment to democratic values, the rule of law, human rights and fundamental freedoms.

Convinced that further developing cooperation between the United Nations and other organizations of the United Nations system and the Organization for Democracy and Economic Development — GUAM will further contribute to the promotion of the purposes and principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General,¹

1. *Takes note* of the activity of the Organization for Democracy and Economic Development — GUAM aimed at promoting regional cooperation in various areas such as trade and economic development, energy, transportation, agriculture, disaster management, culture, science, education, public health, youth, tourism and sport, as well as countering terrorism, drug trafficking, organized crime, human trafficking, illegal migration and other types of criminal activity of a transnational nature, which contributes to the attainment of the purposes and principles of the United Nations, and to that end welcomes the intention of the Organization for Democracy and Economic Development — GUAM to cooperate with the Economic Commission for Europe and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;

2. *Emphasizes* the importance of strengthening dialogue, cooperation and coordination between the United Nations system and the Organization for Democracy and Economic Development — GUAM, and to that end invites the Secretary-General of the United Nations to engage in regular consultations with the Secretary-General of the Organization for Democracy and Economic Development — GUAM, utilizing for that purpose the appropriate inter-institutional forums and formats, including the annual consultations between the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the heads of regional organizations;

3. *Invites* the specialized agencies, components, organizations, programmes and funds of the United Nations system to cooperate and develop direct contacts with the Organization for Democracy and Economic Development — GUAM for the joint implementation of projects aimed at the attainment of common objectives, and in that context takes note of the existing practice of cooperation between the Organization for Democracy and Economic Development — GUAM and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations to submit to the General Assembly at its seventy-third session a report on the implementation of the present resolution;

5. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-third session, under the item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations", the sub-item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Democracy and Economic Development — GUAM".

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Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Democracy and Economic Development — GUAM

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